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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2005, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group I, namely Claims 80-87, Group II, namely Claims 88-96, and Group III, namely Claims 97-103. Applicant hereby provisionally elects with traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 80-87) and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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